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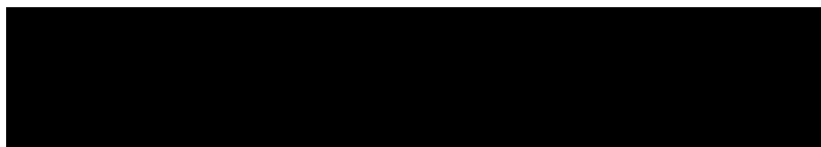
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## PREFACE

This is the second in a planned series of biographic reports on the leaders of the Communist revolution in South Vietnam. The first report, BR 75-29, published in June 1975, dealt with six of the top revolutionary leaders in South Vietnam. This publication includes biographies, arranged alphabetically, of eight important revolutionary leaders in South Vietnam: five of the 11 members of the Saigon Military Management Committee, two prominent leaders in the South Vietnamese Communist apparatus (People's Revolutionary Party—PRP), and the new governor of the Vietnam National Bank. Six of these men have held positions in the Central Office for South



Tran Van Tra (4th from left) and other members of the Saigon Military Management Committee

Vietnam (COSVN)—the elite, Northern-controlled body that directed the insurgency in the South. Five are northerners, one is a southerner, and one is from central Vietnam. All of these individuals seem to have well-established revolutionary credentials; four of the eight have served in the anti-French, Communist-controlled Viet Minh movement.

Subsequent issues in this series will be published when sufficient information becomes available on the composition of the Communist-controlled administration. Readers who can contribute additional information on these or other individuals in the new South Vietnamese governmental and political structure are encouraged to send it to the Central Reference Service. Overseas recipients may direct their comments through State channels to INR/OIL/B.

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